

Network News

September 1989

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The coming year will be one in which the Network considers its future directions and prepares to move into the 1990s.

During the year we will consider a long range plan developed by the Long Range Planning Committee, chaired by Charlotte Minter. A draft of the plan has been mailed to you for your consideration and suggestions. The Membership Committee, chaired by Jackie Hubbard, has made a number of recommendations on membership and these too will be under discussion in coming months.

The Retreat, which has been planned by Martha McGee and her committee, will provide us an opportunity to know one another better, to ponder our own future and that of the Network, to learn, and to enjoy! I hope many of you will be able to be at the retreat October 27th - 29th.

Our September Quarterly Meeting will be devoted primarily to membership. After a reception and a brief business meeting, we will break into classification groups to consider proposed new members. Membership decisions are critical to the character of our organization so please try to join us on the 12th.

Last but not least, I wish to express my appreciation and that of the entire Board to our hardworking committees and their chairs for the plans and proposals developed during the past months. To Martha McGee and the Retreat Committee, Charlotte Minter and the Long Range Planning Committee, Jackie Hubbard and the Membership Committee, Carol Whittaker and the Program Committee — many thanks!

SEPTEMBER QUARTERLY MEETING

- WHEN:** Tuesday, September 12, 1989
TIME: 5:30 p.m. Reception and Hors d'oeuvres
WHERE: University Club
PROGRAM: Discussion of the Long Range Planning Report and consideration of new members
COST: \$10.00

Send your \$10.00 check payable to the JWN, no later than September 7, 1989 to Carol C. Whittaker, 800 Prudential Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32207.

() YES, I PLAN TO ATTEND THE SEPTEMBER QUARTERLY MEETING

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Jacksonville Women's Network

SPECIAL THANKS

To Diane Jacobsen for graciously hosting the JWN July function in her beautiful home on the St. Johns River. It was the perfect setting for a summer evening social, and all of us who attended were treated to wine, hors d'oeuvres, and the expert piano playing of talented Ron Touchton.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW!

- October 27 - 29:** JWN Retreat at The King & Prince Hotel, St. Simons Island
- November 16:** Lunch at the YWCA, 12:00 noon, Topic: "Salute to Women in the Arts" will be on display
- December 5:** Quarterly Holiday Dinner Meeting at Epping Forest. Reception at 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6:30.

RETREAT UPDATE

Make plans **NOW** to attend the Second Annual Retreat, October 27 - 29, at the King and Prince Beach Resort on St. Simons Island, Georgia. You should receive registration material during the first week of September.

The focus of the program will be threefold:

Retreat — to withdraw from usual activities and the problems of the work-a-day world;

Network — with the Network, in accord with our first objective, "to develop and maintain supportive networks among our members through mutual understanding, esteem, and good fellowship;"

Information/Inspiration — garnered from outstanding guest speakers and our own members — and from the seaside setting of the King and Prince Hotel.

Plan to be there from the opening reception at 6:00 on Friday evening through the breakfast Sunday morning. Hear Dr. Sally Karioth, Tallahassee, and Dr. Clyda Rent, Columbus, Mississippi, talk about their successful careers and the challenges they and other women face today. Interact with Jo Ann Patray, Sarah Monroe, Sandra Hansford, Martha Barrett, and others as we discuss issues of importance to women: aging, wellness, stresses in women, changes in the workplace, and economic issues. Participate in an outward bound activity; view special films on women and women's issues; shop, walk the beach, have a massage. Hear Cate Coppotelli, Yvonne Kennedy, and others share their perspective on being a woman in 1989. Enjoy the excellent food that the King and Prince provides.

YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS ALL THIS. THE RETREAT — OCTOBER 27 - 29!

CONGRATULATIONS, HONORS, AND APPLAUSE...

To **Fran Kinne**, President of Jacksonville University, and **Sister Mary Clare Hughes**, President of St. Vincent's Medical Center, for being the first women admitted to membership in the Rotary club of Jacksonville.

To **Tillie Fowler** upon being sworn in as President of the City Council.

Suzanne Montgomery has been appointed President of the Board of Directors of the Mental Health Resource Center, Inc.

Two of the three Catholic professional women recently honored by the Catholic Women's Club of Jacksonville for contributions to the community are **Judge Virginia Beverly** and **Sister Mary Clare Hughes**.

Edna Saffy has been elected to the Board of Directors of the Florida Women's Alliance.

Cecilia Bryant has been elected Chair of the American Red Cross, Northeast Florida Chapter for 1989-90. She was also selected as General Counsel for Independent Insurance Agent of Greater Jacksonville, Inc.

Julia Taylor has been named Director of Development at the University of North Florida.

Mayor Hazouri has appointed **Delores Pass Kesler** to a vacancy on the Jacksonville Transportation Authority.

Linda Foley was one of six undergraduate faculty members to win UNF's Outstanding Teachers Award for the 1988-89 academic year.

THIS 'N' THAT

Recent profiles in the "Florida Times Union" and "Jacksonville Today" have featured **Judge Sharon Tanner, Fran Kinne, Sister Mary Clare Hughes, and Nancy Dreicer.**

A recent segment of *Prime Time Live* featured **Robbie Gordon**, who went undercover for 10 days to investigate abuses inside adult congregate homes in Houston and Sacramento. If you saw the show (and I regret I didn't), you may not have recognized her. Posing as a mentally impaired woman, Robbie had discolored, crooked teeth, dowdy brown hair, and old and tattered clothes. What an incredible experience that must have been!

TRAVELS WITH ...

By now, **Jean Coker** should be back from her driving trip to Alaska via Edmonton and Skagway, down the Inland Passage on the Marine Ferry, then back across the Canadian Rockies - Banff, Lake Louise, Glacier National Park and Yellowstone. She hoped to see lots of grizzlies, bald eagles, and **no oil!**

Charlotte Minter had a wonderful time in the Bahamas in late July.

Mary Alice Phelan attended her 25th Class Reunion of Trinity College in Washington, D.C. It didn't take long for 25 years to go by, did it, Mary Alice??

Cate Coppotelli attended a meeting of the Florida Hospital Association in Key West in July. She taught them Conflict Resolution and they took her snorkeling. Sounds fair to me. She'll be teaching the same subject at a Public Relations Seminar in San Francisco and to another group in Chicago in September. There sure is a lot of conflict around, isn't there?

Julie DiLorenzo visited friends in New Orleans; then went to Boston, Newport, R.I., and New York. (Ask her about an off-Broadway play called "Tony 'n' Tina's Wedding.")

NOW HEAR THIS ...

Women's History Month is going to feature something different next year — a kick-off Women's History Month Conference on March 2 - 3, 1990, to start the month's activities. It will include seminars, workshops, guest speakers, and will represent the combined efforts of many women's organizations. This Greater Jacksonville Women's Coalition, co-chaired by the Mayor's Commission on the Status of Women (**Julie DiLorenzo**) and the YWCA (**Sandy Beard**), has as some of its sub-committee co-chairs and members many of our own JWN members: **Martha Barrett, Virginia Beverly, Joan Carver, Helene Coleman, Carolyn Gentry, Sandy Hansford, Jean Ludlow, Martha McGee, Carol Miner, Sarah Monroe, Joanelle Mulrain, Pam Paul, Mary Alice Phelan, and Edna Saffy.** It's shaping up to be quite an event, deserving of your support and participation. More details will be provided in the next issue of the News.

WORTH QUOTING

From 1989 through the year 2000, two out of three new entrants to the labor force will be women... In just 1988, two-thirds of all women with children under 18 were in the labor force... Nearly 90% of jobs created between now and the year 2000 will be in the service sector... Part-time or temporary employment will comprise an increasing share of available jobs... Women and girls continue to be disproportionately enrolled in education and training that prepares them for low-wage jobs in traditional female occupations. (National Commission on Working Women of Wider Opportunities for Women, Washington, D.C.)

Five of Texas' largest cities have women mayors: Corpus Christi — Betty Turner; Dallas — Annette Strauss; Galveston — Janice Coggeshall; Houston — Kathy Whitmire; San Antonio — Lila Cockrell. (USA Today, May 26, 1989)

Household work accounts for a slim part of the gender gap in earnings. Employed women spend nearly 11 hours more than men each week on such unpaid home chores as cooking, child care, and keeping track of money. Only partially off-setting the gender gap, men spend barely nine hours more at paid work; for which they are paid \$309.49 a week more. Now two sociologists — Beth Shelton of the State University of New York at Buffalo and Juanita Firestone of the University of Texas at San Antonio — have recomputed what the earnings would be like if the household and outside responsibilities were reversed.

Using a technique that controls for experience and education, the researchers conclude that only 8.2% of the earnings gap can be attributed directly to the increased time that women toil at home. By contrast, 21% of the earnings gap can be ascribed to women's fewer hours of paid work and fewer years of experience.

But being "primarily responsible for household labor" limits female career choices, the sociologists say. (Wall Street Journal)

DIRECTORY CHANGES

Sandy Beard's home address has changed to [REDACTED]

EDITOR'S CORNER

Last issue I said a new column, "Clear View," would be instituted in the *JWN News* and that I would be calling upon you for your view on any subject near and dear to your heart, be it Lessons Learned, Ethical Considerations, Leadership Principles that Work, Perspectives on Positions of Power, etc. What I neglected to say was that it would be even better (for me) if any of you volunteered to submit a "Clear View." I will still attempt to ask for "donations," but I really would appreciate your submissions without prompting. In any event, I hope to include the new feature in the next issue. Mail to:

Julie DiLorenzo
[REDACTED]

or call: 771-5951

Remember, the newsletter is only informative if you send me items to include. Many of you are doing things, going places, receiving awards, etc., but are not letting me know about them. I try to get what information I can from the "Florida Times Union," and "Jacksonville Today," but since I do a lot of traveling, I don't read the issues I miss, and I only skim over magazines at best. So keep those items coming — the whole Network appreciates them. Mailing deadlines are November 15, February 15, May 15, and August 15.

Of course, you don't have to wait for the deadline to submit your contribution — my mail carrier delivers every day except Sundays and holidays.